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Cats and Dogs: Yacht, six month residency

CTO direction for residency in category 2 approved countries where the cat/dog is travelling on a yacht

Pursuant to section 27(1)(d)(iii) of the Biosecurity Act 1993 I, Lucy Johnston, Manager Animal Imports, Ministry for Primary Industries (under delegated authority), give the following directions, different from those measures in the import health standard for Cats and Dogs (CATDOG.GEN):

For cats and dogs travelling on yachts, the six month residency in category 2 approved countries can be counted from the day after departure from the last unapproved country when the following documentation can be provided:

- Passing rabies titre test result (blood sample taken 3 to 24 months before import); and
- Rabies vaccinations as per category 3 requirements

The above measures are considered to adequately manage the rabies risk, where the animal is travelling on a yacht.

This direction takes effect from the date of signing and continues in effect until amended or revoked.

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